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Honorable William J. Casey
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

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Dear Mr. Casey:

Thank you for your letter of November 2, 1981, alerting me to the difficulties brought upon your agency by General Services Administration (GSA) personnel shortages at the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) headquarters complex. I am aware of the staffing inadequacies which exist and of the consequent impairment to building maintenance, operation and repair. I also share your concern that the CIA's effectiveness not be compromised by GSA support-related deficiencies.

I believe I have a solution to the staffing problems at the GSA McLean Field Office. The operations in four field installations in the National Capital Region will be contracted out within the next 2 months. This action will free over 100 mechanics and 80 custodial employees. From this workforce, through either voluntary or management direction, employees will be assigned for duty at the McLean Field Office.

I have directed that the McLean Field Office receive the highest priority for the reassignment of these employees and believe that this action will overcome the obstacles which would necessarily occur under even an expedited external hire solution.

My staff and I are ready to assist you in any way necessary to ensure the orderly continuance of the CIA's important mission.

Sincerely,

Gerald P. Carmen
Administrator

If you have time I'd like to visit or have lunch with you